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NEWS RELEASE

OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

A preliminary investigation pertaining to an officer involved shooting reveals the following: On July 14, 2008, at approximately 7:04am, San Antonio Police Officer Robert Ingram, an 11-year veteran, was patrolling behind the strip retail center located at 5740 Walzem Rd. As Officer Ingram drove his patrol car behind the businesses, he saw a car backed into a loading dock. As officer Ingram got closer, he saw a lone male sitting in the driver's side. Officer Ingram reports that at that point, the suspect looked up and motioned his head side to side and pointed his finger up and also motioned his finger side to side (indicating a "no" gesture). The suspect then placed his car in gear and accelerated directly towards Officer Ingram, who was still sitting inside his patrol car. The suspect's car then struck Officer Ingram's car, pushing the patrol car back several feet until it was pinned between a concrete pillar and the suspect's car. The suspect then reversed his car and then again came forward, spinning his rear tires, as the suspect's car again struck Officer Ingram's patrol car. Officer Ingram, fearing for his life, began to fire his service weapon, through his own patrol car's front windshield, towards the suspect. Officer Ingram continued to fire as he was able to exit his patrol car and flee for cover.

The suspect was hit by Officer Ingram's fire and subsequently died at the scene. Officer Ingram did not receive serious injuries from the ramming of his patrol car.

A preliminary view inside the suspect's car revealed a hunting knife and drug paraphernalia. The identity of the suspect is being withheld pending official identification and the notification of death to the next of kin.

The San Antonio Police Department's shooting Team is handling the investigation and will submit their findings to Police Chief William P. McManus and the Bexar County District Attorney's Office. As per policy, Officer Ingram will be placed on administrative duty while the investigation continues.

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